# THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

## **PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

#### DG 06-127

## ORDER OF NOTICE

On September 14, 2006, Concord Steam Corporation (Concord Steam), a public utility supplying steam service to approximately 120 commercial and institutional customers and one residential customer in Concord, New Hampshire, filed with the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (Commission) a petition to change its Cost of Energy (COE) for the period November 1, 2006 through October 31, 2007. The proposed COE rate is \$17.83 per Mlb (1,000 pounds of steam), compared to the current COE rate of \$14.29 per Mlb, an increase of \$3.54 per Mlb.

This filing raises, <u>inter alia</u>, issues related to forecasting of sales, supplier prices and transportation prices, purchasing decisions related to the current and past annual fuel supplies, the causes and treatment of over and under recoveries, prior period costs and revenues, the reasonableness of the proposed COE rate, the reported costs and benefits of steam turbine cogeneration operations, and the costs and benefits of leasing and operating a wood yard for wood storage and delivery.

Each party has the right to have an attorney represent them at the party's own expense at any hearings.

### Based upon the foregoing, it is hereby

**ORDERED**, that a Hearing be held before the Commission located at 21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10, Concord, New Hampshire on October 30, 2006 at 10:00 a.m.; and it is

**FURTHER ORDERED**, that Concord Steam, the Staff of the Commission and any Intervenors hold a Technical Session at the Commission on October 12, 2006 at 1:30 p.m. to review the petition and allow Concord Steam to provide any amendments or updates to its filing; and it is

**FURTHER ORDERED**, that pursuant to N.H. Admin. Rules Puc 203.12, Concord Steam shall notify all persons desiring to be heard at this hearing by publishing a copy of this Order of Notice no later than September 28, 2006, in a newspaper with general circulation in those portions of the state in which operations are conducted, publication to be documented by affidavit filed with the Commission on or before October 30, 2006; and it is

**FURTHER ORDERED**, that pursuant to N.H. Admin. Rules Puc 203.17, any party seeking to intervene in the proceeding shall submit to the Commission seven copies of a Petition to Intervene with copies sent to Concord Steam and the Office of the Consumer Advocate on or before October 25, 2006, such Petition stating the facts demonstrating how its rights, duties, privileges, immunities or other substantial interest may be affected by the proceeding, as required by N.H. Admin. Rule Puc 203.17 and RSA 541-A:32,I(b); and it is

**FURTHER ORDERED**, that any party objecting to a Petition to Intervene make said Objection on or before October 30, 2006.

By order of the Public Utilities Commission of New Hampshire this twenty-second day of September, 2006.

Debra A. Howland Executive Director & Secretary

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